

CLAIMS

We claim:

1 1. A multicultural educational kit for teaching children of
2 a first culture about at least a second culture different from
3 their own first culture, the kit including a plurality of second
4 culture components comprising:

5 at least one costumed doll configured to represent a child
6 of the second culture;

7 a finger puppet glove;

8 a plurality of finger puppets removably attached to said
9 finger puppet glove, said finger puppets being configured to
10 represent a family of the second culture; and

11 at least one video presentation showing a typical period in
12 a life of a child of the second culture.

1 2. The multicultural educational kit according to claim 1,
2 further including:

3 a plurality of picture books, with each of said books
4 relating to a subject area of the second culture; and

5 a plurality of audio presentations corresponding to said
6 plurality of picture books.

1 3. The multicultural educational kit according to claim 1,
2 further including at least one activity book relating to the
3 second culture and containing a plurality of reproducible
4 activity sheets.

1 4. The multicultural educational kit according to claim 3,
2 wherein said plurality of reproducible activity sheets further
3 include puzzles, coloring pages, craft projects, recipes, and
4 games and instructions therefor.

1 5. The multicultural educational kit according to claim 1,
2 further including a map relating to a region of the second
3 culture.

1 6. The multicultural educational kit according to claim 5,
2 further including an erasable surface disposed over said map.

1 7. The multicultural educational kit according to claim 1,
2 further including a plurality of flash cards, each of the flash
3 cards having at least one symbol thereon representing a
4 corresponding aspect of the second culture.

1 8. The multicultural educational kit according to claim 1,
2 further including a plurality of additional culture components of
3 a third culture.

1 9. The multicultural educational kit according to claim 1,
2 further including a storage container.

1 10. A method of teaching children of a first culture about
2 a second culture different from the first culture, comprising the
3 steps of:

4 (a) providing at least one costumed doll configured to
5 represent a child of the second culture;

6 (b) further providing a finger puppet glove;

7 (c) further providing a plurality of finger puppets
8 configured to represent a family of the second culture;

9 (d) further providing at least one video presentation having
10 a story of a period in a life of a child of the second culture;

11 (e) displaying the costumed doll, thereby representing the
12 second culture being taught;

13 (f) donning the finger puppet glove;

14 (g) removably applying the finger puppets to the finger
15 puppet glove;

16 (h) playing the video presentation; and

17 (i) manipulating the finger puppets in accordance with the
18 story of the video presentation.

1 11. The method of teaching according to claim 10, further
2 including the steps of:

3 (a) providing a plurality of picture books, with each of the
4 books relating to a subject area of the second culture;

5 (b) further providing a plurality of audio presentations
6 corresponding to the plurality of picture books;

7 (c) selecting one of the picture books and a corresponding
8 one of the audio presentations;

9 (d) playing the audio presentation corresponding to the
10 selected one of the picture books; and

11 (e) displaying pictures in the selected picture book in
12 accordance with information on the audio tape as it is played.

1 12. The method of teaching according to claim 10, further
2 including the steps of:

3 (a) further providing at least one activity book relating to
4 the second culture containing a plurality of reproducible
5 activity sheets, each of the sheets having a different activity
6 thereon;

7 (b) reproducing at least one of the activity sheets, as
8 desired;

9 (c) distributing the reproduced activity sheet to the
10 children; and

11 (d) assigning the children to perform the activity of the
12 reproduced and distributed activity sheet.

1 13. The method of teaching according to claim 10, further
2 including the steps of:

3 (a) providing a map relating to a region of the second
4 culture; and

5 (b) indicating to the children various features on the map
6 relating to the second culture.

1 14. The method of teaching according to claim 10, further
2 including the steps of:

3 (a) providing a plurality of flash cards relating to the
4 second culture;

5 (b) placing at least one symbol representing a corresponding
6 aspect of the second culture upon each of the flash cards; and

7 (c) exhibiting the flash cards to the children.

1 15. The method of teaching according to claim 10, further
2 including the step of providing a plurality of additional culture
3 components of a third culture.

1 16. The method of teaching according to claim 10, further
2 including the step of providing a storage container.